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25X1 5. [] Made arrangements with Ed Braswell and
25X1A Jack Ticer, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, to borrow a copy of
the testimony of [] before the
Committee last Tuesday, 7 March, on the Southeast Asia free world forces

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25X1 6. [] Called Representative Les Aspin in response
to his letter to the Director requesting a briefing on Soviet naval matters.
See Memo for Record.

25X1 7. [] Discussed above with Frank Slatinshek,
Assistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, who appreciated
our problem and reiterated that the briefing should be coordinated with the
Committee.

25X1 8. [] The Special Subcommittee on Intelligence
of the House Armed Services Committee, chaired by Representative Nedzi
(D., Mich.), continued their hearings on H. R. 9853 concerning the classifica-
tion and protection of information vital to the national security. Witnesses
were Mr. Joseph Liebling, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Security
Policy), and Mr. Fred Buzhardt, General Counsel, Department of Defense.
Mr. Liebling provided a statement on those actions taken by the DOD to
better their security program and to project future actions to meet the
objectives of the new Executive Order on classification and declassification
which was issued yesterday. The Subcommittee continued their detailed
questioning of Mr. Buzhardt concerning Department of Defense security
policy and other matters in his statement. Mr. William Blair, Assistant
Secretary of State, is scheduled to testify tomorrow. Mr. Ralph E. Erickson,
Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, is scheduled to testify
on Monday, 13 March. He will undoubtedly be questioned in detail on the
new Executive Order since the Department of Justice is responsible for
interpreting the Order.

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